

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

## Region 1 5 Post Office Square, Suite 100 Boston, MA 02109-3912

## VIA EMAIL - READ RECEIPT REQUESTED

April 12, 2021

Town of Epping WWTF 40 Lagoon Road Epping, NH 03042

Re: Authorization to discharge under the Great Bay Total Nitrogen General Permit (GBTN GP) – Authorization number NHG58A009 for the Town of Epping WWTF

James E. Pouliot, Jr.:

Based on the review of a Notice of Intent (NOI) dated March 23, 2021 submitted by the Town of Epping for the facility referenced above, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 1 (EPA) hereby authorizes the Town of Epping, as the named operator, to discharge nitrogen in accordance with the provisions of the GBTN GP from this facility. The authorization number is listed above and the effective date of coverage is May 1, 2021. This authorization only applies to the discharge of nitrogen from Outfall 001 and does not impact your existing individual permit coverage (permit number NH0100692). In accordance with Part 6.2 of the GBTN GP, your permit coverage will be administratively continued upon expiration of the GBTN GP if the general permit has not been reissued.

The applicable effluent limitations and monitoring requirements for your facility are described in Part 2.1 of the GBTN GP and are summarized below.

Wastewater Treatment Facility	Effluent Limitations (April 1 through October 31)	Year-Round Reporting Requirements			Year-Round Monitoring Requirements <sup>1,2</sup>		
	Total Nitrogen	Total Nitrogen		Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	Nitrate + Nitrite Nitrogen		
	Rolling Seasonal Average (lb/day) <sup>3,4</sup>	Monthly Average (lb/day) <sup>5</sup>	Monthly Average (mg/L) <sup>5</sup>	Monthly Average (mg/L) <sup>5</sup>	Monthly Average (mg/L) <sup>5</sup>	Monitoring Frequency	Sample Type <sup>6</sup>
Epping	43	Report	Report	Report	Report	1/week	Composite

<sup>\*</sup>For footnotes, refer to pages 4 through 6 of the Final General Permit (found at link below).

To summarize, monitoring for total Kjeldahl nitrogen and nitrate + nitrite nitrogen shall be conducted year-round once per week. Reporting for those parameters and for total nitrogen (*i.e.*, the sum of those parameters) shall be done each month through NetDMR as described in Part 5.1 of the GBTN GP. The rolling seasonal average load will be reported following each month from April through October (i.e., the "growing season") once you have collected 7-months of data during the growing season. Therefore, the first rolling seasonal average load will be reported following April of 2022 and will be calculated as the average of the 7 monthly average loads for May 2021 through October 2021 and April 2022. The seasonal rolling average load will be recalculated and reported after each month from April through October of each year, using the monthly average loads from the 7 most recent months during the growing season and will be used to confirm compliance with the rolling seasonal average effluent limit applicable to your facility of 43 lb/day.

Please note that this summary does not represent the complete requirements of the GBTN GP. Operators must comply with all of the applicable requirements of the GBTN GP, including all record-keeping and reporting requirements. For the complete general permit, see EPA's GBTN GP website, currently available at: <a href="https://www.epa.gov/npdes-permits/great-bay-total-nitrogen-general-permit">https://www.epa.gov/npdes-permits/great-bay-total-nitrogen-general-permit</a>.

Please note that with the establishment of this new permit authorization number, your facility will need to have the signatory for the facility request access to the new permit through NetDMR and receive approval from EPA in order to report each month. We have attached a copy of the instructions for completing this step to this letter. If you still have questions or need assistance with NetDMR please send an email to R1.NetDMR@epa.gov.

Please contact Michael Cobb at Cobb.Michael@epa.gov or (617) 918-1369 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Ellen Weitzler, Chief Municipal Permits Section Water Division

cc: Hayley Franz, NHDES, via email

Enclosure: NetDMR Instructions